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PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No: 16170.1

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**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97**

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 Serial No.: 10/500,880  
 Filing Date: July 7, 2004  
 For: DEVICE FOR THE DISRUPTION OF EXPLOSIVE  
 ORDNANCE

Att'y Docket No.: 16170.1  
 Group: Unknown



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATIONS MADE BY APPLICANT

U.S. Patent Documents

Examiner <u>Initial*</u>	Document <u>Number</u>	Issue <u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>
____ 1	5,936,184	08/10/1999	Majerus, et al.

Foreign Patent Documents

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____ 2	GB 2 292 445 A	02/21/1996	United Kingdom
____ 3	DE 2 555 649	12/03/1975	Germany
____ 4	DE 3 623 240	10/15/1987	Germany

Other Documents  
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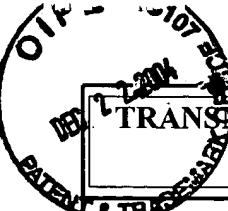
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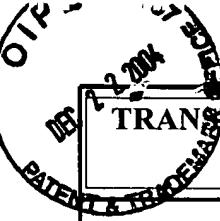
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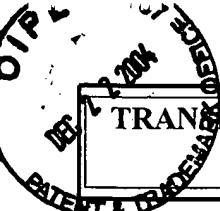
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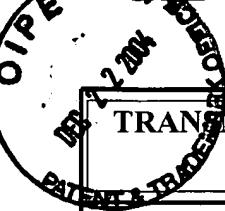
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